

COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on Monday, July 21, 2014 at the Village office at 1 S. High St. Covington. Mayor Ed McCord called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following roll call was taken for council:

Present:	Doris Beeman
	Joyce Robertson
	Bud Weer
	Keith Warner
	Mr. Tobias
Absent:	Lois Newman

The council packet included minutes from the 7/7/14 meeting, check list (7757-7797), fund balance sheet, village administrator report, y-t-d financials and the 2015 tax budget.

Nonmembers present include Frank Patrizio-Attorney, Mike Busse-Village Administrator, Chief Harmon and Carmen Siefring-Fiscal Officer.

Agenda:

A motion was made by Beeman and seconded by Tobias to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes:

The minutes from the 07/07/14 meeting are approved as read.

Bills/Financials

No questions or comments. A motion was made by Weer and seconded by Beeman to approve the bills. All ayes. Motion carried.

Visitors – Betsie Hart was present to request approval of the 5th annual Herbie Fuzz 5K route which will be held in town on 8/16/14 @ 8:00 a.m. The course is the same as last year with the start at the High School and finish at the Eagles. A motion was made by Tobias and seconded by Weer to approve the route. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mayors Report

- Mayor, Ed McCord said he has busy with several planning and zoning and appeals meetings. Also, He and Mike met with the retailers group and discussed the Candlelight Christmas
- The mayor informed council that the Chamber of Commerce meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 8:00 a.m. at Buffalo Jacks.
- The mayor thanked Chief Harmon and Mike for organizing the first government center concert last Friday. The second free concert will be held on 8/8/14 and will feature the Covington marching band and Allison Babylon.
- The mayor and Mike recently walked the Valor Drive area to understand the storm water problem in that area and explore possible solutions.

Village Administrator Report-the following topics were addressed:

- A new bench for the park is going to be installed on a concrete pad on the levy by an anonymous donor.
- Mike provided a revised tentative project schedule for Spring Street: Advertising – 8/7 & 8/14. Bid Opening – 8/28/14. Contract Award – 9/2/14. Final Completion – 10/15/15.
- Mike provided pictures, measurements and other information on the May storm damage. We hope to know about reimbursement soon.
- The trash truck had a malfunction of the transmission computer and has been repaired by The Service Co.
- We will be installing a new 6” valve at Maple and Wenrick. The fire hydrant will be repaired after that.
- We experienced a dropped phase from DP&L at the water plant this weekend causing the control panel to lose its program. The plant was manually run and there was no interruption in service.
- Vectren has the scheduled gas lines replaced around town and is now in the restoration phase. We will send Vectren a copy of the Spring Street plans when they are finalized.

Legislation

- Council held the third reading of *Resolution R12-14 Authorizing the Village Administrator to Enter Into a 5-Year Contract with Miami Valley Lighting for Street Lighting Services*. A motion was made by Weer and seconded by Tobias to approve R12-14. All ayes. Motion carried.

Expense Approvals

- A motion was made by Tobias and seconded by Roberson to approve payment of the Wagner Paving invoice for the street resurfacing in the amount of \$56,199. (There was no extra charge for nighttime work). All ayes. Motion carried.
- At the recommendation of the Village Administrator, a motion was made by Beeman and seconded by Weer to discontinue enrollment in the employee health Compass program at a cost of \$84/month. All ayes. Motion carried.

Spring Street Reconstruction

Brice Schmittmeyer was present for the Spring Street final plan review. First council discussed the options for storm for the “new school”. Mike provided a worksheet and drawing showing two alternatives where a new 24” storm line could run. The first would bisect two properties and would require new easements. Estimated cost is \$58,000. The second option would run a 24” line next to an existing line around the field but would cost an estimated \$76,000. The school will take care of the storm lines running in front of the school to SR 36.

- Council instructed Brice to draw up the bid documents to request a bid for street resurfacing on Harrison, Grant, Ludlow and Vine between Walnut and Spring as an alternate.
- Council instructed Brice to draw up the bid documents to request a bid for a 24” tile from the back of the school to Spring as an alternate.
- Council instructed Brice to bid stamped concrete for the “curb lawn” from High St to the alley past the museum and library as an alternate.
- Council instructed Mike that the Village intends to stay consistent with the sidewalk program and assess sidewalks for the Spring Street reconstruction for a 5-year period, 5% auditor fee and 1% interest. Residents can also pay invoice directly and not be assessed.

- Council instructed Mike to begin the paperwork to vacate the alley at 304 Spring Street that is not in use.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Weer and seconded by Warner to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.
9:15

Fiscal Officer

Mayor